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Exploring the Reality of Global Disease



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MONDAY, APRIL 4

3:30 p.m.

Crossing the Invisible Line: If Diseases Don't Respect Borders, Should We?

Whenever a large-scale epidemic erupts, so do disagreements over what constitutes an appropriate response. This session investigates the tradeoff between strong borders and international cooperation.

John Wyn Owen is secretary of the Nuffield Trust and a senior associate of the Judge Institute of Management at the University of Cambridge. He has been director-general of New South Wales Health in Australia and director of National Health Service Wales. Owen's research interests include the changing role of the state in health policy.

Wayne Lutton is editor of the *Social Contract* in Petoskey, Minnesota. He has been research director for an educational institute, a college professor, and a frequent speaker at symposia and on radio. A policy analyst and historian, Lutton has published widely on population and immigration concerns.

7:30 p.m.

Containing a Serial Killer: Focusing on AIDS Prevention or Cure?

The Bush Administration has addressed AIDS domestically and internationally more through promoting steps to contain its spread than through steps to heal the disease once contracted. This session investigates whether this is the most appropriate policy.

Shepherd Smith is founder and president of the Institute for Youth Development (IYD) in Washington, D.C. He founded and served as president of Americans for a Sound AIDS/HIV Policy (ASAP) and was recently appointed to serve on the advisory committee to the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Anne-Christine D'Adesky is an executive director of Women's Equality in Access to Care and Treatment (WE-ACTx), a global AIDS and HIV initiative. She is an author, filmmaker, and award-winning journalist recognized for her pioneering AIDS coverage.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

3:30 p.m.

How Tall Is the Great Wall: SARS and State Sovereignty

In 2002 SARS broke out in China and quickly spread to Canada. This session investigates whether countries have an obligation to disclose vital health information to the international community when global populations are at risk.

Christopher McNally is a fellow at the East-West Center in Honolulu, an educational and research organization. His research interests include the Chinese government's response to the SARS epidemic.

Erping Zhang is a Mason Fellow at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. His research focuses on censorship issues in China. Zhang was a member of the Chinese government in Beijing before coming to the United States in 1984.

7 p.m.

Fear as the Antidote: Is Media Coverage of Anthrax Scaring Us to Death?

Does the media provide critical health information to the public or create a culture of fear? This session investigates whether the media promotes accuracy or distortion in public health awareness.

Lawrence Altman is chief medical correspondent for the *New York Times*. He has served with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as chief of the U.S. Public Health Service's Division of Epidemiology and Immunization, and as clinical associate professor at New York University Medical School. A medical doctor, Altman has written numerous articles on AIDS and anthrax.

Marc Siegel is clinical associate professor at New York University Medical School and a fellow in the Master Scholars Society at New York University. His research includes a study of the politics and science of epidemics and bioterrorism. Siegel writes regularly for many publications and contributed to the U.S. Senate Finance Committee Report on bioterror and the anthrax scare.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

3:30 p.m.

Tsunami Crisis: Should Foreign Medical Aid Come With Foreign Values?

Many aid organizations have responded to the tsunami that hit southeast Asia on December 26, 2004. This session investigates whether foreign health workers have the right to attempt to change the cultural values of victims of such events.

Kevin Turner is director of Strategic World Impact (SWI), a religious-based global aid organization located in Oklahoma.

Kim Johnston is director of program operations for Mercy Corps International of Portland. A veteran in the field of international development, Johnston previously worked with CARE.

7 p.m.

If Not, Then WHO: Are International Health Organizations Capable of Combating Global Health Epidemics?

What are the responsibilities of the World Health Organization (WHO), as the leading international health organization, in combating health crises? This session investigates whether WHO is effective in achieving these goals.

Richard Alderslade is senior external relations officer for WHO's New York office. Formerly a public health provider and administrator in the United Kingdom, he has worked in research, higher education, and international humanitarian public health. Alderslade regularly speaks on the global spread of diseases.

Edward Hudgins is director for the Objectivist Center in Washington, D.C. Formerly, he was director of regulatory studies for the Cato Institute, as well as director of the Center for International Economic Growth at the Heritage Foundation.